

Greenbelters At Cooperator Dance Welcome 1952 In Balloon Shower

By Doris A. Mednick

The New Year was welcomed into Greenbelt by a burst of balloons that failed to shower at the witching hour. That only added to the high spirits and excited expectations of the hundreds of people thronged in the Center school gymnasium for the Cooperator's New Year's Eve celebration.

Chief Petty Officer Irving Levine, recently returned from Japan, was the hero of the evening when he mounted a 20-ft. stepladder to release a mammoth cellophane bag (full of hundreds of balloons) which was tied to the ceiling, but failed to open when the releasing string broke. Then the mad scramble began. Many of the balloons contained prizes of theatre passes or slips of paper to be turned in for Japanese parasols, combination tie clasps and cigarette holders. The bursting of the balloons sounded like a Fourth of July firecracker spree.

Prizewinners

Festivities in the gaily-decorated gymnasium began with an elimination waltz contest. Judges were Steve Comings and Thomas Canning, members of the city council. Mr. and Mrs. Richard White won first prize. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Granims was the second couple remaining on the floor.

A gold-and-rhinestone necklace, bracelet, pin and earring set was won by Mr. and Mrs. Johnson from East Pines, Md. for being the longest-married couple at the dance. They boasted of 29 years of matrimony.

The door prize was drawn for by Rhonda Bibler, Miss Greenbelt of 1951, and won by Mrs. Florence Shinderman. A jitterbug dance contest was also held.

The tantalizing aroma of broiling hamburgers attracted many dancers throughout the evening to the social room downstairs. A mountain of sliced onions and all the pickles a hamburger roll could hold were available to be heaped as tastes dictated. Soft drinks and egg nog were also served.

Judging by the popularity of the Cooperator's family New Year's dance, and the good time had by those present, Greenbelt residents may happily look forward to this becoming an annual affair.

Troop Committee Will Meet Sunday

Parents of Scouts and Explorers from Troop 229 are invited to attend a regular troop committee meeting this Sunday night at the city office from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

At its last session, the troop committee decided to hold quarterly meetings of parents of Scouts. The meetings will offer movies of Scout activities, lectures and entertainment.

Three PTAS to Attend Annual Joint Meeting

The annual joint PTA meeting of the Center, North End and Junior High Schools will be held at the Junior High Auditorium Wednesday, January 9.

Classrooms will be open for parent inspection from 7:30 to 8. It is expected that parents from all the schools will be interested.

The subject for the evening's speaker will be "Safeguarding the Students' Health." Refreshments will be served.

DIABETES ASSOCIATION

The D. C. Diabetes Association will present a discussion on "The Care of the Feet", with a panel of specialists who will answer all questions.

The meeting is open to all, and questions from all are invited. The time: Tuesday, January 8, 8 p.m. The place: District Medical Society Auditorium, 1718 M Street, N.W.

Patronage Slips Due At GCS By Jan. 19

Patronage return slips and forms for the year 1951 must be turned in at the GCS office not later than 5 p.m. Saturday, January 19, GCS controller Robert Morrow announced this week. Instructions are printed on the forms, and additional copies are available in all stores.

New this year is an adding-machine which has been made available for patrons' use in the lobby of the Greenbelt supermarket. Tapes from the machine should be attached to each bundle of slips.

Last year more than 1600 families turned in slips representing over a million and a half dollars in sales, or close to 60% of GCS' total volume of business for the year. Refunds amounted to \$33,000. Of this, over 50% was left in the organization toward the purchase of additional stock.

Asked about the possible percentage of refund, General Manager Sam Ashelman said that it is still too early to set the exact date. This will not be determined until after the books are finally audited and dividends on stock are calculated.

Less Than 1950

He said, however, that the patronage refund will be less than last year's. He cited as reasons the general conditions in the food industry, where margins have been squeezed, and the fact that the two new stores in Takoma Park have not been open long enough this year to make any sizeable contribution to total net earnings.

Although the refund rate will be less, Ashelman pointed out that interest on capital stock will remain at the usual 5% rate. This rate has been paid continuously on stock since the organization was formed, over \$54,000 having been paid to shareholders through the years.

Since 1940, when the cooperative paid its first patronage refund, the organization has had net savings each year, and during the 11-year period has paid back over \$140,000 to its patrons.

Distinguished Pastor Speaks Here Sunday

Dr. Albert W. Luce, author of "Colorful Colorado" and founder of the annual Easter Pageant in the "Garden of the Gods", Colorado Springs, will occupy the pulpit of the Community Church this Sunday morning, January 6. Dr. Luce is visiting at the home of the A. J. McDermids in Branchville and will show his own color films on "America the Beautiful" at Northwestern High this Friday.

Dr. Luce will speak on the theme, "Singing in the Dark", bringing a message of Christian optimism for the New Year the wisdom accumulated through a long life of teaching and preaching. Dr. Luce served for 31 years as pastor of the Central Christian Church of Colorado Springs. Last year he lectured and showed his films in 26 States, travelling more than 10,000 miles. He is an alumnus of Hiram College, Ohio and holds graduate degrees from the Friends University in Wichita and the Baptist Theological Seminary of Kansas City.

NEWS FLASH
Commissioner John Egan of PHA informed the Veterans Housing Corporation that PHA is ready to resume negotiations for the sale of Greenbelt. The new price for both housing and undeveloped land is \$8,971,200, an increase of approximately \$450,000 over the price agreed upon last year.

Citizens Committee Examines County Gov't.

Mr. William R. Turner, executive secretary of the Citizens Committee for Good Government, announces that plans for three Workshop meetings in January on the Governmental Survey Report of Prince Georges County are being completed this week. The general topic for the first meeting, scheduled for January 9, at 8 p.m. in the auditorium of the Bladensburg Junior High School, is "Why Do We Need a Change in County Government?" Dr. Elwyn Mauck, Director of the Maryland State Fiscal Research Bureau, will be the main speaker of the evening. He will be assisted by a panel of five persons, four leading citizens of the county and a representative of the Chicago company, Public Administration Service. This firm took five months to make the survey of the county during 1951.

The persons slated to appear on the citizens' panel are as follows: Mrs. William H. Wood, Sunnybrook, President of the League of Women Voters of Prince Georges County; Mr. Reuben J. Gordon, Chevy Chase, resident of the county for 42 years, a lawyer, and Chancellor of the Chilean Embassy in Washington, D. C.; Mr. Byron Allen, College Park, Prince Georges County business man and chairman of the Board of Directors of the Citizens Committee; and Mrs. Zella Saylor, Mrs. Saylor was instrumental in the forming of the Citizens Committee and has from the very first been one of the key persons organizing and sponsoring the group. She is general chairman of the January Workshop meetings.

The sixth and last member of the panel will be an official of Public Administration Service. This firm is anxious to see to it that the readers of the Survey Report of Prince Georges County understand all its implications to the fullest extent. They have repeatedly stated that they will assist the citizens of the county in this regard.

The two remaining Workshops will be held on January 16 and 23. Arrangements for these meetings will be announced at a later date.

GCS Christmas Sales Set National Record

During the week before Christmas, Greenbelt Consumer Services recorded what may be the largest weekly sales volume ever registered by an urban consumer co-op in the United States. \$112,500 went through the combined cash registers of the Takoma and Greenbelt operations. Previous record weekly sales were \$87,000, rung up two weeks earlier.

By a narrow margin the Greenbelt supermarket continued to hold an edge over the Takoma supermarket, the two stores having sales of \$33,000 and \$32,000 respectively. In the new Takoma superdrug, the final tally was \$16,000. In Greenbelt the variety store did \$12,500, the drug store \$3200, and the service station \$5300 for the seven-day period.

Capital stock investment continued to climb past the previous high of \$324,767 established in early December. During the past week two checks, one totaling

GCS Board Meets In Takoma Park, Sets Annual Meeting For March 5

By George C. Reeves

Several possible changes in the by-laws of Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., were suggested Friday night at the board of directors meeting in the community room at the Takoma Park co-op super-drugstore, New Hampshire and Ethan Allen avenues.

WCFM DRIVE

Many friends of WCFM, Washington's cooperative FM radio station, have looked upon it as a purely commercial business and have expected it to depend for its support on advertising groceries, radio sets, clothing, etc. This, I think, is an inadequate concept.

WCFM has always had at least two objectives that were not purely commercial. The first is to supply programs of a high moral and cultural tone and professional excellence to people who have felt the lack of that kind of program. The second is to create an agency for defending and advancing social, economic, and industrial justice, democracy and brotherhood. The agencies that ordinarily promote these things are organizations like the American Civil Liberties Union, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, churches and colleges. So far as WCFM operates in these fields, it is a non-profit agency like the rest, and they are all supported by contributions.

We have ample evidence that WCFM has fulfilled its objective of furnishing entertainment programs of high cultural standards and professional excellence. One proof is the fact that the National Gallery of Art uses this channel exclusively for broadcasting its musical programs. Another is that the literary leaders of the Congressional Library continually cooperate and participate in presenting WCFM's poetry programs. Perhaps the most outstanding and convincing testimonial to the high quality of our programs came to us incidentally and unintentionally. Of the 4150 programs listed by the Washington Post in its daily "Highlights" during the first 46 weeks of 1951, 452 were WCFM programs. This is well above the average for the ten leading Washington stations.

Our station has also fulfilled its objective as a champion of social betterment. When I want to hear courageous and out-spoken champions of all sorts of liberal causes, I tune to 99.5 to hear WCFM's commentators and special programs. WCFM is unique, among radio stations and among agencies for social justice generally, for its intelligent and courageous discussion of public questions.

Sacrifices for WCFM are well justified. It takes salaries and rent and electricity to broadcast WCFM's cultural programs and programs in the interest of humanity. This is what we are trying to raise money for. Through the efforts of the past several years we have built a station that has made an outstanding place for itself in the radio field. Unless we rally to the station's support, we may lose this opportunity to promote the great objectives for which the station was founded. Success of this station will be worth to us all the money we pay.

Greenbelters who are interested in helping to raise money for WCFM should call Mrs. Gail Harper, Greenbelt 4586, or Mrs. W. R. Volckhausen, Greenbelt 8451.

L. A. Halbert, Chairman
WCFM Committee
of One Hundred

\$500, the other \$1230, were received for investment from member-families.

Milton Kramer proposed that only two membership meetings instead of four be held during the year, except special meetings when required. Henry Walter raised the question whether the date of the annual meeting should be permanently fixed in March instead of in February, in order to allow time for management to complete its annual report to the membership. General Manager Sam Ashelman proposed that a different fiscal year, other than the calendar year, be adopted, in order to avoid the conflict of inventory duties with merchandising and in order to be able to secure the services of inventory-control experts at a lower fee. These proposals will be further considered at the next board meeting, January 11.

The board voted to set the date of March 5 for the next annual membership meeting, apart from any permanent change in the by-laws. Complete information will be distributed to members in advance of the meeting, in order to save time at the meeting itself. A committee is being formed under the chairmanship of Henry Walter to make a survey of the membership (by the sampling method) to learn, if possible, why so few members have been present at membership meetings in recent years. The March 5 meeting, it was decided, should be held in the theater, with educational films as part of the program.

Patronage Dividends

Patronage dividends for 1951 will be paid at a somewhat lower rate than in 1950, Ashelman announced. Customers in the Takoma Park stores who are not so familiar as those in Greenbelt with the refund procedure, will be informed about it by means of special placards placed on the cash registers.

Sales during the week of December 16-22 totaled \$112,000, a record for any cooperative society, Ashelman reported. Of this amount, \$32,600 was registered at the Takoma Park food store and \$33,100 at the Greenbelt supermarket. The sale of Nova Scotia Christmas trees was successful, he said.

The manner in which per capita contributions to the regional organization for educational purposes should be handled, following the recent decentralization of the co-op wholesale, was referred to a committee consisting of Ashelman, Walter R. Volckhausen (secretary of the Potomac Cooperative Federation), and George Davidson, GCS board member and Federation treasurer.

Managers' Reports

George Spillman and Layton Dodson, managers of the Takoma Park supermarket and super-drug, reported informally on the operation of these recently-opened stores. The volume of business is satisfactory and will grow; customers over there demand higher-than-average quality goods, and merchandising practices will have to be adjusted accordingly, they said.

QUESTIONS

Anyone who has a question regarding the Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation and the imminent sale of Greenbelt will have it answered if he addresses his question to the Cooperator.

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The following editorial is reprinted in its entirety from the ECI Cooperator. It contains food for thought for all Co-op members.

Dollars or People?

With this issue, The Cooperator launches an effort to put renewed emphasis on membership.

What is a cooperative? You can offer definitions by the dozen, but we doubt that any of them will mention "dollars" or "money." For a consumer cooperative is first of all a group of people who have agreed to work together—always holding a welcome out to any other persons who wish to join in the mutual undertaking.

It is all very well to be "businesslike" in running our co-ops. We cannot continue to exist without accurate sets of books, without keeping sharp eyes on the balance sheet and operating statement. But the instant we get so absorbed in dollar signs or ratios or percentage points that we forget about people coming first, we have begun to operate something perilously close to a "co-op in name only." We may still follow the by-laws and pay back patronage refunds if saved—but the true source of vitality will be lacking.

Too many of what we tend to think of as our "best" local co-ops (because their dollar volume is impressive and their management "efficient") get a shockingly low share of their patronage from members. A wastefully low share, too—because it has been proven long since that a member-patron buys far more and more consistently at the co-op than a typical non-member patron.

Even from the strictly "business" view, then, education that converts customers to members pays off. To neglect this process, undervalue it, or let it become intermittent is to do violence to the very core of the cooperative idea.

Let us not look on any intensive effort to increase membership that we may organize for early in the new year as a "drive," but rather as evidence of re-dedicating ourselves to the fundamental cooperative concept that people come first. It's a concept that over a hundred years and more has brought cooperatives everywhere lasting success when they have stuck to it.

Trattler Chatter

By Pauline Trattler
Gr. - 3762

Hi! Well here it is 1952. Guess it will be hard to remember to write the new date for a while, but before long it will come easy. Let's hope this New Year brings all the "boys" home, and that there will be peace all over the world again. . . . Maybe if we all say a little prayer it might help.

A nice New Year present to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Walker, 39-D Ridge, came wrapped in a blue little blanket, on December 30, at the Prince Georges Hospital. Little Stephen Eugene, who weighed in at 6 lbs. 14 oz., is the Walkers' first child.

Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Parker, 45-J Ridge played host to Mr. Parker's sister who is visiting them from Chicago.

It was nice to see so many out-of-towners at the New Year's dance. Guess once you have lived or visited here, something seems to draw you back.

If you happened to be watching the Inga's Angle show on TV Christmas day, you would have recognized Glenda Haber, 3-C Eastway, who danced a ballet doll dance. Glenda is a student at the Nicholas Modern Dance Studio. (We saw it, and enjoyed it very much.)

And speaking of Christmas day, heard that the 46 Ridge court had their own Santa. Robert Maglothlin, 47-C, looked just grand in his Santa outfit. The parents of the children bought gifts, and Santa paid each one a visit and presented them with a package. . . . Everyone had a grand time.

Sorry to hear that Mrs. Martha Kaufman, 48-D Ridge, is a patient at Sibley hospital. Martha had an operation on her leg. . . . (Now listen Martha, that's no way to start the new year, so hurry home!)

The Ralph Hirschtritt family, 19-M Ridge, spent the holidays in New York visiting relatives.

The George Wetter family, 17-C Ridge, and the Harry Weidberg family, 17-A Ridge, all followed suit.

A welcome guest to the Sigurgeir Leifur family, 14-Z Ridge, is their son, Duane. Duane, who was in Korea for over a year, is home until January 7.

Another guest home for the holidays is Robert Rogers, 17-K Ridge. Robert, who is with the Air Force, is stationed in Biloxi. Miss. Highlight of Robert's visit was the wedding of his buddy. See CHATTER, Page 3

ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Greenbelt 5511

Saturday: Confessions, 3 to 5:30 p.m. for children, 7 to 9:30 for adults.

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Wednesday: Novena services, 8 p.m.

Baptisms: Sunday, at 1 p.m. Anyone wishing to have a baby baptized, please notify Dowgiallo beforehand.

GREENBELT LUTHERAN CHURCH

Edward H. Birner, Vicar
Telephone 3703

Friday, January 4 - 8 p.m., The Lydia Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Clarence Berg, 20-H Hillside Rd. Election of officers will be held at this meeting.

Saturday, January 5 - 11 a.m., Junior choir practice at the home of Mrs. Berg.

Sunday, January 6 - 9:45 a.m., Sunday School and adult Bible Class. Classes are held for all ages. E. F. Trumbule, superintendent, 11 a.m., Church service. Services are held in the Center school. Visitors are always welcome. The nursery will be under the supervision of Mrs. King and Mrs. Helfinstein. 3:30 p.m., Walther League meeting at the Drop Inn.

Tuesday, January 8 - 8:30 p.m. The Men's Club will meet. There will be a discussion of the Conquest for Christ program in our church. All members should be there.

BARBARA LLOYD

All friends of Miss Barbara Lloyd are invited to attend a Donation Tea next Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m. in St. Hugh's School. The tea, sponsored by the Sodality, will honor Miss Lloyd, who is entering the Sisters of Charity of Emmitsburg. Barbara, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lloyd, 2-E Plateau, is the first young woman to enter a religious order from St. Hugh's.

DEADLINE

Cooperator copy must be submitted by 10:30 p.m. on the Tuesday night preceding publication. Copy coming in on Wednesday will be held over till the following week.

COMMUNITY CHURCH PROTESTANT

Eric T. Braund, Minister
Church phone 7931

Thursday, January 3 - 8 p.m., Cloister Choir Rehearsal. 8 p.m., Boy Scout Board of Review. 8:15 p.m., Church Women's Discussion Group meets at Mrs. Paul Linson's.

Sunday, January 6 - 8:45 a.m., Church School Primary Department. 9:50 a.m., Junior and Intermediate Departments through Adult ages. 11 a.m., Beginners Department and Church Nursery. Church Worship at 8:45 and 11 a.m. Sermon: "Some New Year Resolutions, and the Power to Keep Them." 7 p.m., Junior and Senior High Pilgrim Fellowship Groups.

Monday, January 7 - 8 p.m., Board of Trustees, Church Study.

Wednesday, January 9 - 8 p.m., Senior Choir Rehearsal. 8 p.m., Men's Bible Class social meeting. All men welcomed.

Tuesday, January 8 - 1:30 p.m., Afternoon Guild Social Hall.

Thursday, January 10 - 8 p.m., Fidelis Class social meeting, Church Study.

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Telephone 4987

Sunday, January 6 - Worship Service with Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. An invitation to unite with the Church will be extended at this service, 11 a.m. Sessions of the Sunday School at 8:45 and 9:45 a.m. An invitation is given to attend this service and bring your friends.

Monday, January 7 - The W.S.C. will meet at the home of Mrs. Arin Hutchinson, 1729 Keoke Street, Langley Park, Maryland at 8 p.m.

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Drop-Inn Data

By Bobbie Baxter

The Christmas party held at the Drop-Inn Saturday night was a huge success. Cup awards for the month of November went to Mrs. Cashman, who did such lovely work on the curtains in the Youth Center, and Paul Reamy, who has put in such good service caring for the furnace and soft-drink machines. Margo Kennedy did a marvelous job on getting entertainment for that evening. Ray Krug (well known singer) sang a couple of songs, Don Walker and Don Morrison performed on the harmonica and guitar, and "Tex" Thompson, our comedian, offered some imitations.

The orchestra "The Offbeats" were enjoyed by all. Guests for that night were Mr. and Mrs. Walter, Mr. and Mrs. Slye, Mr. and Mrs. Kurth, Mrs. Kennedy, Miss Donoghue, and Mrs. Cashman.

The decoration committee who took care of the Christmas decorations deserve a lot of credit. This credit goes to Pat Arrington, Bobby Jamison, Joan Moore, Paul Reamy, Harry Fox, Don Patterson, Pearl Gold and Ann Smith.

Kenny Miller was master of ceremonies and Jan Andrusic was in charge of the refreshments.

Members of the Drop-Inn held their annual New Year's dance December 31, from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. The "Off Beats" were again present to play for the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Kurth were hosts for the night.

The following people have been very helpful as hosts in the past weeks: Mrs. Betty Buck, Mrs. Iseli, and Mrs. White.

WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club of Greenbelt will meet Thursday evening, January 10 at 8 p.m. in the social room of the Center school.

There will be a musical solo by Mrs. Irving Gerring, accompanied by Mrs. Abraham Chasanow. Miss Mary C. Van Pelt, R.N., who is in charge of Student Health at Galaudet College, will speak on "Living Customs in Arabia".

Hostesses for the evening are: Mrs. Charles McDonald, Mrs. Mattie Blake, Mrs. Miles Bonnar, Mrs. John Elder, Mrs. D. B. Littlefield, Mrs. William Self, Mrs. Lloyd Nelson, Miss Cyrilla O'Connor and Mrs. Frank McConnell.

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where Robert served as best man. (How does Greenbelt look, fellows?)

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Friedman, 1-B Woodland Way, celebrated their nineteenth wedding anniversary on Christmas day. They dined and danced at the 2400 club with some of their friends, and then left for Bridgeton, N. J. where they helped see the New Year in with their family and friends. (Congratulations, folks!)

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Collier, 28-B Ridge, can well be proud of their son, William Eugene, who has been serving during the past semester as a clarinetist with the 120-piece U. of Md. Marching Band. Mr. and Mrs. Ray S. Sowell, 18-T Ridge, can also smile with glee, because their son Ray Spears plays the trumpet with the same band. The band which participates at all home football games and other University functions, took part in the Sugar Bowl festivities on New Year's Day in New Orleans. The band traveled to New Orleans by train and played for a rally that was held the morning of the game.

That does it for this week! Here's hoping the weather makes up its mind, so that fewer people will be reported staying home with colds.

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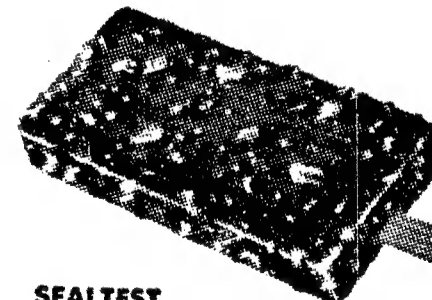
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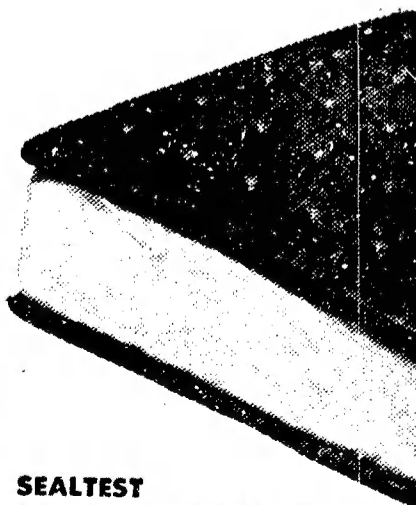
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PRODUCTS

Save 20% - 40% on
Your Xmas Purchases!

It's easy to get to CBA:

45 min. from your home,
right down Washington
Blvd. into Baltimore. At
end of Washington Blvd.
turn left into Poca. At
bl. to Baltimore St.; north 4
2 bl. to Pearl St.; west 2
bl. to corner Lexington &
Pearl
CALL MU 5640.

CONSUMER'S BUYING
ASSOCIATION

202 N. PEARL ST. BALTIMORE 1, MD.

(at 600 block W. Lexington)
An Hour's Free Parking at the Lex. Mkt. Garage

Can Be Purchased At Your Greenbelt
DRUG STORE

Dollar Stretching

To stretch the produce dollar buy particularly carefully during the winter months. Supplies of many popular items are at their lowest level during this period, and prices consequently are high. There is little chance either that many of them will drop as long as consumer demand continues.



This demand actually doesn't rise and fall with the supply; and until it does prices will be out of line while supplies are short. Our tip is minimize your purchases of Lettuce, Cabbage and Carrots. Potatoes, usually a good buy now, have also gone up mainly because of extremely low harvest yields. Look for other items to fill your produce needs.

Better Buys



By careful picking, one can still find good buys on the produce stands. Mushrooms are one, Brussel Sprouts and String Beans are another, Oranges and Grapefruit are still a third. January through March is the peak of the Florida fruit season. Anything coming North with a southern label on it falls under the heading of a good consumer buy. There is another item, one from around these parts, that also deserves a place on your table. A favorite with your children and always welcome in the lunch box, it is the apple.

200,000 Apples

If this is the number sold just during the fall and early winter, the people who eat them can't all be wrong. The buyer's choice — Rome Beauties, Delicious, and Stayman Winesaps. All three types come direct from a 225 acre farm near Lancaster, Pa. For the quality, they are the best priced apple on the Washington market. Until they reach your dinner table, here is exactly what happens to them.



Right from the orchard and pickers' baskets they go into cold storage in the farmer's own locker plant. They are stored actually in farm field crates, not packed in special shipping crates. It is this elimination of high priced packing charges that is one of the main benefits of direct from the farm purchase. Arriving in Greenbelt, they are immediately transferred to our own cold storage box thereby preventing a break in the process of constant refrigeration. Next they are repacked in convenient 5 lb. size polly bags and placed on the produce stand. These bags, incidentally, are excellent for storing perishables in your own ice box. The holes in them will prevent your fruit or other items from sweating.

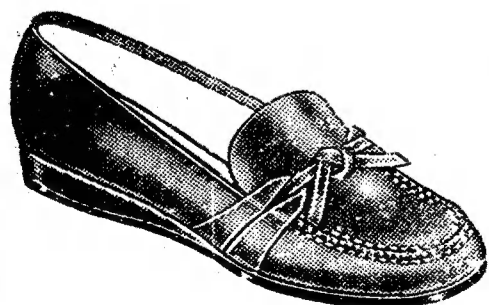
Which Apple?

Here is just a little guide on which apple is which. Rome Beauties make good baked apples. Winesaps (medium tart) are best for general purpose, good for eating, cooking pies and applesauce, etc. Delicious are slightly sweeter with that extra appeal for the lunch box and after dinner snack. They are the apples with the finely pointed ends.

Gas - Christmas Trees - Turkeys

Gas at the Service Station is currently selling at 3/10 of a cent below that out on the pike. The difference to you amounts to over a 1% patronage refund. Christmas trees boomed again. There were several carloads shipped in from a Co-op in Canada where the trees are each individually selected and cut late in November to preserve their freshness. Growers last year received a bonus and the trees received this year were even better, very full and bushy. Because of this our own costs went up 15%. Rockingham Turkeys proved holiday favorites during the Christmas Season. Priced at 79c, 75c and 71c they were one of the best buys in the Washington area.

SALE



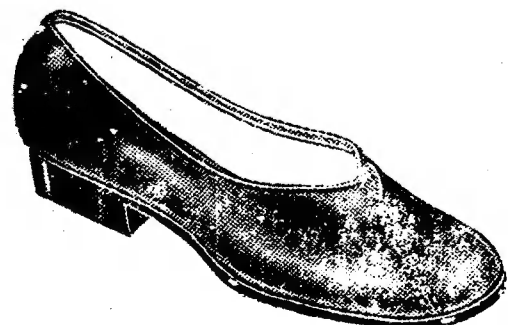
**Women's
Loafers**

**Sizes 5 to 9
AA - B Widths**

**Lucerne and
Trampeze**

**\$6.95 & \$7.95
Values**

\$3.95



VALET SHOP

Don't Miss

YOUR SLICE OF THE PIE

When you make a purchase from your Co-op, either in Greenbelt or over in Takoma Park, we say, "Save your receipt for Patronage Refund." Here's why.

Anyone may shop Co-op and anyone may join; for a Co-op belongs to its members and the people it serves. At the end of the year, expenses are tallied. Taxes, dividends on capital stock (5%) are paid; and reserves set aside. The balance is returned as a patronage refund, and your slice is in proportion to your total purchases. That's why we say, "Save those receipts."

This refund goes to all. Members may receive it in cash or reinvest it in additional stock. For non-members it is allowed to accumulate toward their first purchase of stock.

To receive your refund, procure and fill out a patronage refund form. Instructions are on the form. Additional copies of the forms are in each of the stores. Bring the completed form along with all your slips to the Co-op Office.

5 P.M. JANUARY 19TH, IS THE DEADLINE FOR ALL REFUND FORMS

PORK ROAST

lb. 37¢

Rib End

Up to 3 lbs.

MAXWELL HOUSE COFFEE

All Grinds

lb. can

90¢

Green Giant

Sliced

PEAS 2 for 35¢

BACON lb. 45¢

BANANAS

2 LBS. **29¢**

ONIONS

3 LBS. **25¢**

LARGE

AVOCADOES

2-29¢

BRUSSEL

SPROUTS

BOX **29¢**

RADISHES

BUNCH **5¢**

ROME BEAUTY or DELICIOUS

APPLES

5 LBS. **45¢**



Prices effective January 3, 4, 5. Store hours 9 - 9 Mon. thru Fri.
9 - 6 Saturday. 12 - 6 Sunday.

Co-op Green Label

TOMATOES

2 No. 2 cans **31¢**

Co-op Red Label

SALAD DRESSING

pt. jar **31¢**

Co-op Red Label

APRICOT NECTAR

46 oz. can **39¢**

Sunkist

FROZEN ORANGE JUICE

2 6 oz. cans **33¢**

Co-op Red Label

MILK

1 14½ oz. cans **53¢**

Premier

TOMATOES

No. 2 can **21¢**

GREENBELT  **Consumer Services, INC.**